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Press Release

COAST GUARD PULLS TWO PEOPLE FROM SINKING VESSEL

BOSTON – A Coast Guard rescue boat crew pulled two men from the waters of Kill Pond Bar near Dennis, Mass. at 1:45 p.m. today after the boat they were in began sinking.

The victim's names and hometowns were not immediately available.

Coast Guard Station Chatham heard a Mayday call at 1:25 p.m. and launched a 27-foot rescue boat at 1:28 p.m. When they arrived on scene at 1:43 p.m. they found the two men, ages 48 and 78, in the water clinging to their small recreational boat, which was almost completely submerged. The 78 year-old man was unconscious and unresponsive.

The Coast Guard crew, including an emergency medical technician, took the two victims on board the rescue boat and headed toward a town pier in Dennis. Dennis Fire and Rescue picked up the 78-year-old victim, and Yarmouth Fire and Rescue picked up the 48-year-old victim. Both were taken to Cape Cod Hospital. Their current conditions are unknown.

The cause of the incident is under investigation.